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This table presents the 90th, 75th, 50th 25th and tenth percentile groupings for the verbal and mathematical scores on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) reported during the ten-year period between 1966-67 and 1975-76. A testing year is defined as extending from September to August; data are collected without regard to educational level or the number of times an individual student was tested during the defined year. The decline in SAT scores is apparent from the tabular data. (Author/EVH)

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Table 1. Selected Percentiles for Scholastic Aptitude Test Scores, 1966-67 through 1975-76

Percentile	Testing year[a] 1966-67	1967-68	1968-69	1969-70	1970-71	1971-72	1972-73	1973-74	1974-75	1975-76
Verbal										
90th	618	617	613	613	604	598	590	589	583	579
75th	542	540	539	537	530	525	517	513	511	503
50th	459	460	456	455	450	443	438	433	432	424
25th	388	384	383	377	373	369	363	360	359	352
10th	327	324	321	316	312	309	305	302	298	289
Mathematical										
90th	645	647	642	641	640	635	634	637	630	630
75th	573	574	570	568	568	564	561	561	552	551
50th	490	491	488	487	483	481	480	474	469	468
25th	414	411	408	406	403	399	398	390	384	381
10th	352	345	344	336	336	331	330	324	322	314

a. Testing year is defined as extending from September through August.
Scores are aggregated without regard to educational level or repetition pattern within the defined year.